

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT TACOMA

MICHAEL DENTON,

Petitioner,

v.

RON HAYNES,

Respondent.

CASE NO. C20-5066 BHS

ORDER ADOPTING REPORT  
AND RECOMMENDATION

This matter comes before the Court on the Report and Recommendation (“R&R”) of the Honorable J. Richard Creatura, United States Magistrate Judge, Dkt. 34, and Petitioner Michael Denton’s (“Denton”) objections to the R&R, Dkt. 35.

On October 13, 2020, Judge Creatura issued the R&R recommending that the Court deny Denton’s petition on the merits. Dkt. 34. On October 20, 2020, Denton filed objections. Dkt. 35.

The district judge must determine de novo any part of the magistrate judge’s disposition that has been properly objected to. The district judge may accept, reject, or modify the recommended disposition; receive further evidence; or return the matter to the magistrate judge with instructions. Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b)(3).

1 In this case, Denton fails to identify any error in the R&R. Instead, he repeats the  
2 same arguments that Judge Creatura rejected in the R&R. Based on the thorough and  
3 detailed R&R, the Court concludes that Denton has failed to establish any right to federal  
4 habeas relief. Therefore, the Court having considered the R&R, Denton's objections, and  
5 the remaining record, does hereby find and order as follows:

- 6 (1) The R&R is **ADOPTED**;
- 7 (2) Denton's petition is **DENIED**;
- 8 (3) A Certificate of Appealability is **DENIED**; and
- 9 (4) The Clerk shall enter a **JUDGMENT** and close the case.

10 Dated this 10th day of November, 2020.

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13 BENJAMIN H. SETTLE  
United States District Judge